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Applicants: ISHIKAWA, et al.

Serial No.: 10/588,498

Filed: August 4, 2006

Title: Photosensitive Resin Composition, Photosensitive Element Comprising the Same, Process for Producing Resist Pattern, and Process for Producing Printed Wiring Board

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 & 1.98**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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December 28, 2006

Sir:

Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, enclosed please find a copy of a Translation of the International Preliminary Report On Patentability mailed September 28, 2006, in connection with International (PCT) Application No. PCT/JP2004/012816, filed September 3, 2004, of which the above-identified application is a National Stage Application filed under 35 U.S.C. §371.

Please note that in the Written Opinion of the enclosed Translation of the International Preliminary Report On Patentability, Documents 1-3 are cited. These Documents 1-3 have previously been submitted for consideration by the Examiner, with the Information Disclosure Statement submitted August 4, 2006, upon originally filing the above-identified application. Please note that the enclosed Written Opinion constitutes an additional basis under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3) for concluding that requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and 1.98, particularly 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3), have been satisfied with respect to the Documents 1-3 cited in the aforementioned Written Opinion.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted prior to a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified application. It is respectfully submitted that

in view thereof, requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) have been satisfied, in connection with present submission of the enclosed Translation of the International Preliminary Report On Patentability.

In any event, the following Statement is made under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e):

Each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Also enclosed is a Form PTO/SB/08A and B, listing the enclosed document.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all applicable requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and 1.98 have been satisfied in connection with the document listed on the enclosed Form. Accordingly, consideration of the listed document, upon examination of the above-identified application, is respectfully requested.

Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including excess claim fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (1303.46433X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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